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INFORMATION ON THE CENTRAL WEB PAGE

Earlier this year the Central District of MPD asked for participation in a survey. Most participants took the survey on-line. We have added the surveys submitted by hand to the data and the results are available for review, the link is on our web page.

Watch for the next neighborhood meeting. June 26, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. Location to be determined.

http://www.madisonpolice.com/central.html.



The purpose of the newsletter is to provide information about incidents, criminal activities, and special events occurring in the Central District. If there is information that you would like to see in future editions of the newsletter, please contact Capt. Mary Schauf at mschauf@cityofmadison.com.

WHAT IS SAFE?

Every day as you get up and begin your day, you like me start to make a series of choices that to a degree determine how "safe" you will be.

When I get on my bicycle to come to work I choose to wear a helmet, and if it is early enough turn on a headlight and taillight so I am more visible to motorists. I know these things will lower my potential risk of injury. The choices continue as I interact with others on the route in, whether they are on foot, bike or in vehicles. By now

you are probably asking, "what is her point?" My example is meant to emphasize that safety is never a simple matter, especially when we consider that human behavior is a factor. We do have some impact on our level of safety.

I have been following some of the comments after the recent tragic homicide downtown. Some individuals have tried to apply over-simplified labels to downtown. Downtown Madison is a complex mix of

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TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT SAFETY TEAM OFFICER GREG KAMOSKE

Did you know that teens aged 15-20 years old make up about 8%, but account for almost 14% of traffic fatalities? 5% of the U.S. population

Did you know that the number one killer of U.S. teenagers is motor vehicle crashes? In fact, approximately 44% of teen-aged deaths each year are due to motor vehicle crashes, far greater than deaths due to homicide (19%), suicide (14%), or other causes (23%).

Additionally, in 2005, 62% of teens aged 15-20 that died in motor vehicle crashes were not wearing their seat belts at the time of the crash. Furthermore, 77% of the passengers in vehicles who were in a fatal crash and who were buckled up, survived the crash.

May 21 is the start date for this year's Click It Or Ticket initiative. As in past years, law enforcement officers around the country will be increasing their efforts to educate motorists and passengers, as well as enforce seat belt laws. I would encourage everyone to always wear their seatbelts, and talk to your teenager about the fact that

wearing a seatbelt everytime they get into a motor vehicle can make a difference between life and death. Regular seat belt use has been shown to be THE SINGLE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes.

You can also tell your teenager that nearly every week in Dane County, a vehicle occupant is ejected during a crash. One of the deadliest outcomes in any vehicle crash occurs when passengers get ejected from the vehicle—with most ejections coming from failure to wear seat belts. In fact, 75% of vehicle passengers who were totally ejected from their vehicle in 2005 were killed. But only 1 in 100 drivers and passengers in fatal crashes who were wearing their seat belts were totally ejected. Please share this information with anyone you know who rides in a motor vehicle so that together we can help reduce significant injuries and fatalities in motor vehicle crashes this summer.

source: http://www.nhtsa.gov/buckleup/ciot-planner/planner07/FactSheet.doc http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/people/outreach/safesobr/19qp/sect2/page2.html

## CRIME OVERVIEW

The following represents an overview of police activity in the Central District. It does not include all cases.

### Person Crimes: Batteries

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>
5/10	2:24 pm	Law Park	Officers respond to fight in progress. Joshua Norman, fought with officers. Charged with disorderly conduct, resisting, and battery to a police officer.
5/18	3:46 am	200 Blk S Henry	Victim injured by suspect throwing bottle at him and cutting him with a knife during altercation.
5/17	1:00 AM	300 Blk N Francis	Male victim attacked and battered by male Hispanic, 5'8, medium build.
5/19	2:00 am	400 Blk Hawthorn Ct	Victim and friend are approached by two male suspects who make comments to victim who ignores comment. Suspect offers to shake hands, victim refuses; suspect punches victim in face. Suspect is White wearing a yellow polo and baseball cap.
5/24	10:24 pm	500 Blk State St	Victim was in The Pub drinking when he was punched by a large white male.
5/25	10:49 pm	Law Park	Victim was riding his bike through Law Park when the suspect, a black Male, stuck a stick in the front spoke of the victim's bike, causing him to crash.
5/27	11:00 pm	200 Blk N Blount	Numerous officers dispatch to disturbance with guns and/or knives involved. Upon arrival, found disturbance involving several residents and visitors but no weapons found. Justyn J. Licht, male White, was arrested and charged with battery and disorderly conduct.
5/27	2:32 am	200 Blk N Carroll (Capitol Ramp)	Intoxicated suspect attacked his friend in the ramp, punching him in the face. Adam J. Martin was charged with battery, domestic battery, and theft.

### Person Crimes: Disturbances, Others

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>
5/1	9:20 pm	1000 Blk E Mifflin	Victim approaches what appears to be someone breaking into a car, someone else lunges at him, receives 2" cut to right forearm; suspect flees (male Hispanic, 5'5", 100 pounds, thin build, black hooded sweat-shirt, blue jeans).
5/2	5:55 am	1300 Blk W Dayton	Asian woman charged with disorderly conduct while armed after arming herself with a knife during an argument.
5/2	2:00 am	600 Blk State Street	Corey Marioneaux, male Black, charged with disorderly conduct, resisting, carrying a concealed weapon, and possession of THC after altercation for refusing to leave State Street Brats.
5/8	2:00 am	500 Blk State St	Miguel Menendez-Ruvalcaba was charged with disorderly conduct and open intoxicant after threatening to shoot a homeless man.
5/19	2:40 am	State & Gilman	Altercation between two intoxicated parties results in victim being cut with switchblade-type knife by suspect (male White, 21, 6'3", medium build, blond hair, clean shaven). Victim received stitches.
5/27	2:27 am	400 Blk N Frances	Schuyler A. Cleve, male White, was charged with criminal damage to property for punching a window at the University Inn and breaking it.
5/31	10:41 pm	900 Blk E Gorham	Victim received threatening voicemails from suspect, in which female threatened to shoot victim with his own gun.
5/31	9:27 pm	400 Blk State St	Intoxicated transient staggering on State Street had a 4-inch bladed folding knife partially open and concealed in his hand, walking down the street making threatening comments. Deke R. McGovern was charged with disorderly conduct while armed.

**CRIME OVERVIEW CONTINUED****Property Crimes: Burglaries**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Entry</i>	<i>Targeted/Stolen</i>
5/1	1900 Blk Winnebago	Non-Residential		Front window shattered
5/2	200 S Paterson	Non-Residential	Through window	Laptop, digital cameras, microphones, rechargeable batteries.
5/5	10 Blk Langdon St	Residential	Unknown	2 laptops
5/5	10 Blk Langdon St	Residential	Unknown	Report of 4 laptops stolen over past several days
5/5	10 Blk N Bassett	Residential	Window broken	Playstation, 3 games
5/5	500 Blk W Mifflin	Residential	Door forced open	DVDs, Playstation 2, video games
5/5	500 Blk W Mifflin	Residential	Unknown; secured	Apple computer, video camera
5/5	900 Blk Fahrenbrook Ct	Residential		Sliding glass door shattered
5/5	1300 Blk Spaight	Residential	Unknown	Credit cards stolen and used.
5/7	40 Blk N Orchard	Residential		Rock through window
5/8	400 Blk W Doty	Residential	Unlocked door	2 laptops, digital camera, backpack
5/9	300 Blk N Brooks	Residential		Rock shattered front door
5/9	2000 Blk Corscot Ct	Residential	Unlocked door	Suspect dropped items—video camera, laptop, when interrupted by owner. Suspect: male Black, 15, 5'5", 100 lbs.
5/10	100 Blk W Gilman	Residential	Unlocked door	Laptop, DVDs, Carry bag, paint supplies
5/11	1300 Blk Randall Ct	Residential	Unlocked door	X-Box, controllers, computer
5/12	500 Blk W Dayton	Residential	Unlocked door	Laptop
5/12	500 Blk W Wilson	Residential	Screen cut	Playstation, beer
5/14	300 Blk E Johnson St	Residential	Unlocked door	Ipods
5/15	100 Blk E Doty	Non-Residential	Door kicked in	Laptop
5/15	700 Blk S Dickinson	Residential	Unknown	Resident awoke to front door open, items moved around, nothing missing
5/16	20 Blk E Gorham	Residential	Unlocked door	Briefcase, DC case, amplifier
5/17	400 Blk W Gilman	Residential	Unlocked door	Two Playstations, HP laptop
5/22	700 Blk E Johnson	Residential	Door forced open	DVDs, electronic gaming equipment
5/23	300 Blk W Wilson	Residential	Screen removed	Safe, jewelry, credit cards
5/23	200 Blk W Gilman	Residential	Unknown	DVD player
5/25	10 Blk S Blair	Residential	Unlocked door	DVDs, gaming equipment
5/27	300 Blk W Washington	Residential	Unknown	Prescription medication
5/30	10 Blk Gerry Ct	Residential	Window broken	CD/stereo
5/30	600 Blk N Frances	Residential	Unsecured door	Clothing

**Person Crimes: Sexual Assault**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>
5/6	100 Blk W Gilman	Young woman here for Mifflin Block Party blacks out from alcohol and other substance. Reports assault.
5/9	North Pinckney	Two truck drivers from out of state. Allegation of assault.
5/11	1600 Blk Fordem	Acquaintances, assault reported.
5/12	1400 Blk E Johnson	Suspect approached victim who was fishing, engaged her in conversation, then began touching her then left the area.
5/20	400 Blk W Gilman	Victim awakens to suspect having sexual contact with him. Ronald Mejia charged with OWI and sexual assault.
5/30	300 Blk E Wilson	Victim grabbed by two male Blacks as she walked on East Wilson Street. Touching through clothing. Victim was able to scream and suspects fled. Both suspects had extremely bad body odor, in their 20s to 30s, and wearing stocking caps.

## CRIME OVERVIEW CONTINUED

### Person Crimes: Robbery

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Details</i>
5/3	1:30 pm	200 Blk W Gilman	Victim approached by suspect who states he has a gun and “give me all your stuff.” Victim hands over iPod. Suspect is male Black, 6’1”, 180, lean build, scar over left eye.
5/3	8:54 pm	1200 Blk E Mifflin	Victim allows acquaintances and friend into residence. The male holds the victim’s arms while the female goes through his pockets and takes cash.
5/5	1:30 am	700 Blk University	Victim struck in head from behind and robbed of sandwich. No description.
5/10	1:50 am	1000 Blk W Dayton	Victim threatened by Black male inside entryway to building. Suspect said he had a friend outside with a gun, wanted iPod and cash.
5/15	3:50 am	500 Blk State St	Suspects asked victim if he wanted to buy drugs, he said no and was attacked from behind. Wallet and cell phone taken. Suspects: male blacks, early 20s.
5/16	2:56 am	300 Blk Wisconsin Ave	Victim was struck in the head but did not remember what else happened. Victim believes he was knocked out, and when he woke up, his wallet was missing.
5/17	8:58 pm	300 Blk W Gorham	White male suspect entered Silvermine Subs, stated he had a gun (no weapon seen) and it was a “stickup.” Staff ordered suspect out of the store, and he left without any money.
5/25	3:50 am	200 Blk W Gorham	Intoxicated male approached by suspect who inferred victim owed him money, suspect followed victim, tackled him, took ID, credit cards, and cash. Suspect: male Black, 20s, 6’, slim build, darker complexion.
5/27	1:54 am	900 Blk Williamson	Victim approached by four male Black suspects in their late teens or early 20s. Two suspects asked “Where’s your money?” and one punched him in the face. Suspects fled when victim stood up to defend himself.

### Safe Cont.

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diverse populations including residents, workers, and visitors. It has much to offer in an urban environment. This mix does bring a certain potential for conflict, not unlike other cities of similar size and demographics.

Humans have a tendency to find comfort in labels; they help us organize large amounts of information, and to a degree influence our decision making. Labels, like stereotypes, have limitations, and people seem to respond to the measure set or implied by the label. We need to be cautious about labeling downtown especially as it relates to safety. Safety is more complex than a single crime. While “bad” things will continue to happen, we have the ability to make choices that improve our personal odds for safety.

As a police commander working downtown, I see instances of people making choices on a daily basis that impact their level of personal safety, whether the choice is to consume alcohol to a point of incapacitation, engage in illegal drug activity, or even chance fate with darting in front of moving motorists.

As a citizen of this community I value and enjoy what downtown has to offer. Whether it is participation in

the numerous opportunities for arts and entertainment, wonderful restaurants, a stroll down State Street, or a ride through the numerous bike paths downtown, I feel comfortable in the downtown environment, even out of uniform.

MPD will continue to do our part with increased directed patrols under the Downtown Safety Initiative. We continue to examine cases looking for patterns as well as opportunities for prevention of crime.

So, watch out for your personal safety. Making these choices does not ensure safety, but improves the odds. While you’re at it, be kind to your neighbors and look out for them too . . . it takes a communitiy.

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